

Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women's Health (BIRCWH)

2025 Annual Meeting

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Wednesday, March 18, 2026 | 8 a.m.–5 p.m. EST

Join ORWH and its NIH institute and center partners at the [BIRCWH Annual Meeting](#) on Wednesday, March 18, 2026. This event will include the 9th Ruth L. Kirschstein Memorial Lecture and the 2025 Legacy of Leadership Lecture. The event will also feature an in-person poster hall highlighting BIRCWH Scholar abstracts. BIRCWH is an institutional mentored career-development program designed to connect junior faculty, known as BIRCWH Scholars, to senior faculty mentors with shared interest in women's health and sex differences research.

FEATURED SPEAKERS:



Marie (Tonette) Krousel-Wood M.D., M.S.P.H.
Ruth L. Kirschstein Memorial Lectureship
Keynote Lecture Speaker

- *Professor of Medicine and the Jack Aron Endowed Chair in Primary Care Medicine at the Tulane School of Medicine*
- *Professor of Epidemiology at the Tulane Celia Scott Weatherhead School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine*
- *Principal Investigator / Research Director of Tulane BIRCWH Program*
- *Associate Director of Tulane Center of Excellence in Sex-Based Precision Medicine*

PODIUM SPEAKERS:



Hend Mansoor, PharmD, M.S., Ph.D.
Assistant Professor, University of Kentucky



Shannon M. Sullivan, Ph.D., M.P.H., M.S.
Assistant Professor, University of Minnesota



Elena Fuentes-Afflick, M.D., M.P.H.
Legacy of Leadership Lecture Speaker

- *Chief Scientific Officer of the Association of American Medical Colleges*



Amalia Peterson, M.D., M.S.
Assistant Professor of Neurology,
Vanderbilt University Medical Center

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